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anywhere else. So far the need for a committee for accreditation of Press representatives has not arisen. The present method is working quite satisfactorily as far as our State is concerned.''

SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM :—“ சென்னை ராஜ்யத்தில் இருக்கக் கூடிய பத்திரிகை நிருபர்கள் சங்கத்திலிருந்து இது சம்பந்தமாக யோசனை வந்திருந்து அந்த யோசனை மத்திய சர்க்காருக்கு அனுப்பப்பட்டிருக் கிறதா ? ”

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—“ From the papers I have with me, I do not see any representation from any of the journalists or journalists' associations.''

SRI N. K. PALANISAMY :—“ நிருபர்கள் அங்கீகாரக் கமிட்டி ஏற்படுத்தும்போது பத்திரிகை நிருபர்களுக்கு உபயோகப்படுகிறமாதிரி சலுகைகள் கொடுக்கப்படுமா ? அவர்களுக்கு கிடைக்கக்கூடிய சலுகைகளை பத்திரிகை முதலாளிகளும், மானேஜர்களும ' மிஸ்யூஸ் ' செய்யாத முறையில் சர்க்கார் சிபாரிசு செய்திருக்கிறார்களா ? ”

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—“ இது விஷயத்தில் ஒரு முடிவும் ஏற்படவில்லை. முடிவு ஏற்படும்போது அதை எந்த வகையில் அமுல் நடத்துவது என்பதைப்பற்றி கட்டாயம் யோசித்து அதிலே எந்தவிதமான துஷ்பிரயோகமும் ஏற்படாமல் பார்த்துக் கொள்வதற்கு சர்க்கார் முயலும்.''

SRI S. JAYARAMA REDDIAR :—‘‘ Many Members on this side are keen to know what this Accreditation Committee means. Will the Hon. the Minister explain what it is? ''

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—“ I do not think this is the forum to give a lecture on Accreditation Committees and their functions.''

SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM :—“ கனம் மந்திரி அவர்கள் பதில் சொல்லும்போது ' நம்முடைய ராஜ்யத்திலுள்ள பத்திரிகை நிருபர்களுக்கு மற்ற இடங்களில் கொடுக்கக்கூடிய சலுகைகளைப் போலவே கொடுக்கப்பட்டு வருகின்றன ' என்று சொன்னார்கள். அந்தச் சலுகைகள் என்ன வென்பதை கனம் மந்திரி அவர்கள் தெரிவிக்க முடியுமா ? ”

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—“ If a separate question is put, I shall be able to give it because I have a long list of the facilities given to the various newspaper representatives.''

Water-supply to City from Araniyar reservoir

* 1270 *Q.*—SRI M. DHARMALINGAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Corporation of Madras have applied to the Government for permission to take water from the Araniyar Project reservoir in Tiruvallur taluk to supply water to the City of Madras; and

(*b*) if so, the stage at which the matter stands now?

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THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir.

" (*b*) The Chief Engineer, P.W.D., has furnished to the Commissioner, Corporation of Madras, a rough cost of diversion of supply from Araniar reservoir to Red Hills by means of masonry conduit or steel pipes and the Commissioner has been asked to report the willingness of the Corporation to bear the cost. On receipt of the Commissioner's reply the matter will be further considered."

SRI M. DHARMALINGAM :—" Is the Hon. the Minister aware of the fact that the people of Tiruvallur taluk have already been deprived of their right to enjoy the water from Araniyar, Courtaliar and also Koovam rivers? If the present scheme is accepted, it will put the agriculturists to a great loss in Tiruvallur taluk. Will the Government, therefore, consider the desirabiilty of giving up the plan of supplying water to the City of Madras from Araniyar Project and make some other arrangement to supply water to the Corporation of Madras."

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" The matter is only under consideration. No decision has been taken."

9-20 a.m. SRI V. R. NAGARAJAN :—" Is it a fact that the present water-supply to the City is inadequate and that we have necessarily to embark on finding alternative sources of supply? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" The more immediate problem is to have a proper filteration system for the present water-supply and to make the water pure and wholesome."

SRI K. VINAYAKAM :—" Is the Hon. Minister aware of the fact that the Araniyar Project has not begun to function and that there is no water worth the name under the project? Under these circumstances, the demand made by the Corporation will not be a big drain upon the water resources under this project whereas the catchment area of the Araniyar Project is being exploited by the Andhra Government in Chittoor district? By investigating into the scheme, the Collector of Chittoor district has carried out many minor irrigation projects with the result that the Araniyar Project will not provide the expected water-supply."

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" The hon. Member seems to be well-informed about the activities of the Andhra State. I have no information in regard to the point mentioned by him. This is a technical matter and the Chief Engineer probably thinks that water can be diverted from the Araniyar reservoir for drinking purposes to Madras City."

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" Will the Government anyhow give first priority to cultivators and allow water to the City only if excess is available? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" Yes, Sir. It will be so."